

**PROPOSITIONS**  
**Made by the Lords and Commons**  
**in PARLIAMENT,**  
For the speedie and effectuall reducing  
of the Kingdom of Ireland.

*And the VOTES thereupon,*

By both Houses presented unto  
the Kings MAJESTIE.

With His MAJESTIES gracious  
Answer and Royall Assent thereunto.

*Published by Order of both Houses.*



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by the Assignes of JOHN BILL.

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Ordered by the Lords in  
Parliament, That the  
Propositions concern-  
ing *Ireland*, and His  
Majesties gracious Answer there-  
unto, together with the Directi-  
ons, shall be forthwith Printed  
and Published.

*Jo. Browne Cler. Parl.*



# The Votes of the Lords and Commons,

Upon the Propositions made by  
divers worthy and well-affected persons,  
for the speedy and effectuall reducing  
of the Kingdom of IRELAND.

*Enacted 17<sup>o</sup>  
Car: 1.*

*for Scobells  
Collection*

**T**He Lords and Commons  
taking into their seri-  
ous considerations, as  
well the necessitie of  
a speedy reducing of the Rebels of  
Ireland to their due obedience, as  
also the great sums of Money that  
the Commons of this Realm have of-  
late paid for the publike and neces-  
sary

*say Affairs of the Kingdom, where-  
 of the Lords and Commons are very  
 sensible and desirous to imbrace all  
 good and honourable wayes tending  
 to His Majesties greatnesse, and  
 profit the settling of that Realm, and  
 the ease of His Majesties Subjects of  
 England; And whereas divers wor-  
 thy and well-affetted persons percei-  
 ving that many millions of Acres of  
 the Rebels Lands of that King-  
 dom, which go under the name of pro-  
 fitable Lands, will be confiscate,  
 and to be disposed of, and that in case  
 two millions and a half of those A-  
 cres to be equally taken out of the  
 four Provinces of that Kingdom,  
 may be allotted for the satisfaction of  
 such persons as shall disburse any  
 sums of Money for the reducing of  
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the Rebels there, would effectually accomplish the same, have made these propositions insuing;

1 That two millions and an half of those Acres may be assigned, allotted, and divided amongst them after this proportion: viz.

	200.li.	1000 acres in Ulster.
For each ad-	{	300.li. 1000 acres in Conaght.
venture of		450.li. 1000 acres in Munster.
		600.li. 1000 acres in Lempster.

All according to the English measure, and consisting of Meadow, Arable, and profitable Pasture, the Bogs, Woods, and barren Mountains being cast in over and above. These two millions and a half of Acres to be holden in free and common Soccage



*Soccage of the King, as of His Castle  
of Dublin.*

2 *That out of those two millions  
and an half of Acres, a constant rent  
shall be reserved to the Crown of  
England, after this proportion, viz.*

Out of each Acre thereof in	{	Ulster	1 <sup>d</sup>	—
		Conaght	1 <sup>d</sup>	—ob
		Munster	2 <sup>d</sup>	—q;
		Leinster	3 <sup>d</sup>	—

*Whereby His Majesties Revenue  
out of those Lands will be much im-  
proved, besides the advantages that  
He will have by the coming to his  
hands of all other the Lands of the  
Rebels, and their personall estates,  
without any charge unto His Ma-  
jestie.*

3 *That*

3 That for the erecting of Man-  
 uors, settling of Waste and Commons,  
 maintaining of Preaching Mini-  
 sters, creating of Corporations, and  
 regulating of the severall Planta-  
 tions, one or more Commissions be  
 hereafter granted by Authority of  
 Parliament.

4 That Monies for this great  
 occasion may be the more speedily  
 advanced, All the Undertakers in  
 the City of London, and within  
 twenty Miles distant thereof, shall  
 underwrite their severall sums before  
 the twentieth day of March, 1641.  
 and all within sixty Miles of Lon-  
 don, before the first day of April,  
 1642. And the rest of the Kingdom  
 before the first day of May 1642.

(6)

5 That the severall sums to be underwritten, shall be paid in at four payments, viz. one fourth part within ten dayes after such underwriting; and the other three parts at three Moneths, three Moneths, and three Moneths: all to be paid into the Chamber of London.

6 That for the better securing of the said severall sums accordingly, every one that doth so underwrite, shall at the time of his subscription pay down the twentieth part of the totall sum that shall be by him then underwritten.

And in case that the residue of His first fourth part be not paid in to such person or persons, as shall be appointed to receive the same within the  
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ten dayes before limited; then such Partie shall not onely forfeit the twentieth part of the sum totall formerly deposited, but so much more of his first fourth payment to be added thereunto, as shall make up the one moiety of the said first paiment. And if the same person shall fail in any other of the three paiments, he shall then forfeit his entire first fourth part, and all the benefit of his subscription, which forfeiture shall accrue to the common benefit of the rest of the undertakers.

**T**He Lords and Commons upon due and mature deliberation of these Propositions, have approved of them, and given their consent unto the same, and will become humble Peti-

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tioners to His Majestie for his Roy-  
all approbation thereof; and that  
hereafter he will be pleased upon the  
humble suite of both Houses of Par-  
liament, to give His Royall Assent  
to such Bills as they shall tender unto  
Him for the settling of those Propo-  
sitions, and all other things necessa-  
rily conducing thereunto.

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His Majesties gracious  
Answer and Assent :

Declared unto both Houses of  
Parliament, February 24. 1641.  
was as followeth.



His Majestie being  
very glad to re-  
ceiue any Propo-  
sition that may re-  
pair the calamity  
of His distressed  
Kingdom of *Ireland*, especially  
when it may be without burthen

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or Imposition, and for the ease of His good Subjects of this Kingdom; Hath graciously considered the Overture made by both Houses of Parliament to that purpose, and returns this answer :

**T**Hat as He hath offered, and is still ready to venture His own Royall Person for the Recovery of that Kingdom, if His Parliament shall advise Him thereunto, so He will not deny to contribute any other assistance He can to that Service, by parting with any profit, or advantage of His own there : And therefore (relying upon the wisdom of His Parliament) doth consent to every Proposition now made

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made to Him, without taking time to examine, whether this course may not retard the reducing of that Kingdom, by exasperating the Rebels, and rendring them desperate of being received into Grace, if they shall return to their Obedience.

And His Majestie will be ready to give His Royall assent to all such Bills as shall be tendred unto Him by His Parliament, for the confirmation of every particular of this Proposition.

**These**



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to give His Royal assent to all  
such Bills as shall be tendered unto  
Him by His Parliament, for the  
confirmation of every particular  
of this Proposition.

These



These Propositions, together with  
His Majesties Answer thereunto, were  
by both Houses of Parliament, ordered  
to be Printed and published the 25. day  
of February 1641.

And for the better effecting of this  
work, the Lords and Commons have  
thought fit to publish these  
ensuing directions.

**W**hereas according to  
the proportion of  
lands in the Pro-  
positions mention-  
ed (being two mil-  
lions and a half of  
Acres;) the sumis  
to be under-written Will not exceed  
one

one million of Money; It will be requisite that together with the sums under Written, the day and time of each subscription be likewise set down; to the intent that those who do under-write before the million of Money shall be made up, may not be excluded from the benefit of their respective subscriptions, in case they make payment of the respective sums according to the Propositions.

Nevertheless, if any shall under-write after the million of Money shall be made up, they shall be admitted to the shares of such as (having under-written to the Million) shall fail of payment according to the Propositions, or else (at their election) shall be forthwith repaid all such sums as they shall have paid in, upon hope of taking benefit of the Propositions.

## II.

The places to be appointed for the  
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the severall under-Writings, to be

For the Cities of Lond & Westminster,  
and the Counties of Surrey and Middlesex, the Chamber of London: for  
all other Counties in England and  
Wales, the Townes where the last  
Assises were kept:

But any of those  
Counties that shall desire to under-  
write in London, may be at libertie to  
do it there.

### III.

The persons to be imployed in ta-  
king the under-Writings and recei-  
ving the monies, for London and West-  
minster, Middlesex and Surrey, are to be  
such, as, upon further consultation  
with the Citizens of London shall be  
appointed

And in all other Counties, the  
Sheriffs of the severall Counties  
respectively: who are to give acquit-  
tances for such sums as they shall  
receive.

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## IIII.

That printed books of the Propositions, and his Majesties answer thereunto, and of the Instructions, shall be sent, and letters written from the Speaker to the severall Sheriffs of the said Counties, who shall publish the Books and Letters at the next Assizes, and shall then likewise give publike notice of the times and places by them to be appointed, aswell for the severall under-writings, as for the payment of the sumis that shall be under-written: And for the better publishing of those books, the severall Citizens and Burgeses of the House of Commons, shall forthwith send down severall Books and Letters, to the head-Officers of their Cities and Boroughs respectively.

V. That



That the severall Sheriffs shall from week to week, send up to the Chamber of London a true list of the names and sums subscribed, and of the time of the subscription.

## VI.

For the better encouragement of such persons as shall be imployed for the Citie of London, and the parts adjoining, as likewise of the said Sheriffs and such other persons as shall be by them imployed herein, it shall, and may be lawfull for the said Sheriffs, and for the said persons appointed for the Citie of London respectively, to deduct and retain to his or their use, after the rate of one penny in the pound, for their pains and charges in receiving the said sums, and in returning the same.

## VII.

That together with the printed Propositions and Letters from the Speaker, Paper Books with Titles prefixed, shalbe sent down to the Sheriffs of each County, in the beginning of which Books next under the Titles, the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesles respectively that serbe for the same, and who shall under-write any sum, according to the said Propositions, shall subscribe their names and sums in the first place.

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